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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

RAMP CLOSURES UNDERWAY ON U.S. HIGHWAY 101 AT THE HIGHWAY 58 INTERCHANGE

ATASCADERO - The Atascadero Rehabilitation Project will result in the following ramp closures next week in the following locations:

- The northbound Hwy. 101 off-ramp at State Route 58 in Santa Margarita will be closed 24/7 for up to two weeks beginning Sunday, June 16 at 7 pm for paving and ramp reconstruction (see map below). This roadwork will occur 24/7.
- The northbound Hwy. 101 on-ramp at State Route 58 in Santa Margarita was closed on June 9 24/7 for paving and ramp reconstruction. This ramp is expected to re-open late next week.
- Bicycle riders headed northbound on Hwy. 101 will detour through an open fence onto the frontage road to reach Hwy. 58. Cyclists are always prohibited from using the northbound Hwy. 101 onramp.
- The closure of the southbound Hwy. 101 on-ramp at Hwy. 58 will occur later this summer and cyclists will not be allowed access to this ramp during construction which is expected to last two weeks.

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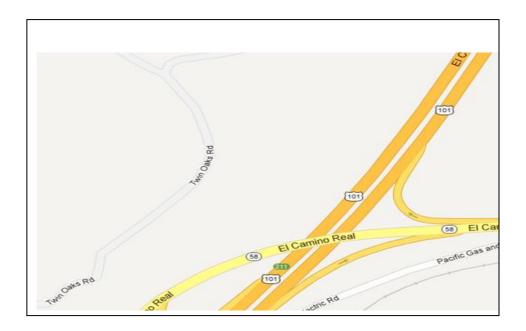


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Motorists headed northbound are encouraged to use Santa Barbara Road and El Camino Real as an alternate route during this closure. The Hwy. 58 Park and Ride Lot will remain open during these closures. **All businesses in Santa Margarita are open**.

This roadwork is part of the Atascadero Rehabilitation project which includes the repaying of 11 miles of Hwy. 101 from north of the Cuesta Grade to Traffic Way.



The contractor for this \$33 million project is Papich Construction of Pismo Beach, CA. This project is now 85% complete and is expected to be completed this fall.

Caltrans reminds motorists to move over and slow down when driving through highway construction zones.

For traffic updates on other state highway projects in San Luis Obispo County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-549-3318 or visit the District 5 website at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/road_information.htm

